



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Clemens SCHMICK et al.

Appl. No. 09/785,508

Filed: February 20, 2001

For: APPARATUS FOR
TRANSPORTING STREAMS OF
TOBACCO PARTICLES AND THE
LIKE

Art Unit: 1731

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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.121

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Box Amendments
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office Action dated June 4, 2002, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply.

No extensions of time are required. One new claims in excess of twenty has been added.

A check for \$18.00 is attached. Any required fee or fee deficiency is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

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